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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

House Resolution

No. 14

Introduced by Assembly Member Ruskin

April 15, 2009

House Resolution No. 14—Relative to Alternative Fuel Vehicle Awareness Month.

1 WHEREAS, The ~~state~~ *State* of California has set the world's
2 most ambitious target for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, with
3 goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 25 percent by 2020 and
4 another 80 percent by 2050; and

5 WHEREAS, California had more than 33 million registered
6 motor vehicles and 23.7 million registered drivers in ~~2007~~ *January*
7 *2009*, more than any other state in the nation; and

8 WHEREAS, Transportation fuels are responsible for 38 percent
9 of our state's greenhouse gas emissions, making it imperative that
10 we reduce our dependence on oil while still meeting our enormous
11 transportation needs; and

12 WHEREAS, California ~~establishes~~ *established* first-of-its-kind
13 goals to reduce the carbon intensity of California's passenger
14 vehicle fuels by at least 10 percent by 2020 and establish a Low
15 Carbon Fuel Standard for transportation fuels; and

16 WHEREAS, California's renewable fuels market will more than
17 double as California becomes home to more than 7 million
18 alternative fuel or hybrid vehicles in the next 10 years, 20 times
19 more than are on our roads today; and

1 WHEREAS, President Obama announced a goal of putting one
2 million plug-in hybrids (PHEVs) on the road by 2015 and a PHEV
3 consumer can now receive up to \$7,500 in federal tax credits, plus
4 a grant of up to \$5,000 from the ~~California~~ State Air Resources
5 Board if a PHEV is purchased within a specified time period; and

6 WHEREAS, California has become the world's testing ground
7 for ~~cutting-edge~~ *cutting-edge* fuel, vehicle, and infrastructure
8 advancement through organizations like the University of
9 California, Davis Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle Research Center,
10 Electric Power Research Institute, and California Fuel Cell
11 Partnership; and

12 WHEREAS, Californians need to be educated about these truly
13 revolutionary changes in clean fuel and vehicle technology and
14 made aware of the significant impact their choice of car can have
15 on the environment; and

16 WHEREAS, According to a 2008 American Automobile
17 Association survey, 84 percent of participants said they have made
18 some effort to learn about hybrids and alternative fuels and 89
19 percent said they would like more education on these topics; now,
20 therefore, be it

21 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
22 month of November, 2009 is hereby officially designated as
23 Alternative Fuel *Vehicle* Awareness Month; and be it further

24 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
25 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.